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Honourable Robert Nicholson  
Minister of Justice/  
Attorney General of Canada  
House of Commons  
Ottawa, Ontario  
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Dear Attorney General;

As President of the Canadian Polish Congress, I would like your assistance in the investigation of the recent death of Mr. Robert Dziekanski, which occurred at Vancouver International Airport, on October 14, 2007.

Mr. Dziekanski death has shocked and outraged many Canadians. I believe the video speaks for itself and illustrates how brutally he was treated and how his death could surely have been prevented.

I would like to impress upon you the importance at this time that a thorough and comprehensive criminal investigation be conducted. The actions and conduct of all of the R.C.M. P. Officers involved in this incident need to be examined and reviewed. The investigation needs to focus on the circumstances which led to the tasing rather than employing other tactics to control the situation.

Once the investigation has been completed, I trust that all and any disciplinary measures will be taken to ensure that an incident such as this does not occur again. I also request that the findings from this investigation be made public. It is vitally important that this investigation be conducted in a timely fashion and the findings be released immediately there after.

I also ask for an immediate moratorium on the use of tasers by all law enforcement agencies and officers across Canada. An investigation into the use of tasers should also be conducted to determine their effectiveness and safety.

Finally I would like your assurance that any findings, which come out of these investigations, be acted upon immediately to ensure the safety of not only Newcomers but also all Canadians.

Sincerely,

Wladyslaw Lizon  
National President  
Canadian Polish Congress